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#### Honorable Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the above-identified patent application be accorded special status and advanced out of turn for examination or for further action, under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.102(c) and Section 708.02 of the MPEP, part III.

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